

## **PLAYOFF GAME NOTES**

## **Vernon Vipers** at Wenatchee Wild



## Saturday February 29, 2020 - 7:05 pm **BCHL INTERIOR CONFERENCE QUARTERFINAL**

Tonight the #4 seed Wenatchee Wild host the #5 seed Vernon Vipers in Game 1 of the BCHL Interior Conference Quarterfinal. It's the third consecutive season the Wild and Vipers have met in the playoffs.

**SEASON STANDINGS:** Wenatchee edged out Vernon in the regular season with a record of 30-23-5, just a single point ahead of the Vipers at 30-24-4. Salmon Arm finished with an identical record to Wenatchee, but claimed the #3 seed by virtue of the head-to-head tiebreaker.

HEAD TO HEAD (REG.SEASON): The Wild are 13-8-3 all-time against Vernon, and 6-2-3 at Town Toyota Center. Wenatchee finished 2-3-1 against the Vipers this season, but 2-0-1 at home.

KEY FORWARDS: Forward Nick Cafarelli (17g, 23a) led the Wild in scoring despite missing 16 games. Next are Matt Dorsey (12g, 27a) and Brett Chorske (18g, 21a). Rounding out the top five are Brian Adams (19g, 18a) and Tyler Young (9g, 28a). Sam Morton joined the team midseason and leads the Wild in points per game. The Vipers are led by Matt Kowalski (25g, 29a), Connor Marritt (16g, 26a), and Dawson Holt (17g, 22a). Max Bulawka (20g, 15a) spent most of the year in West Kelowna, and JoJo Tanaka-Campbell (7g, 19a) was fifth on the team.

TOP DEFENSEMEN: For the Wild, Drew Bavaro (9g, 24a) led all blueliners, followed by Trevor Griebel (5g, 16a) and Tanner Main (2g, 17a). Vernon's Landon Fuller (10g, 14a) is followed by Trey Taylor (6g, 11a) and Jackson Caller (5g, 12a).

GOALTENDING: Wild goalie Daniel Chenard finished 21-16-5 on the year, with a 2.86 GAA and .891 save percentage. Noah Altman went 9-7-2, with a 3.46 GAA and .877 save pct. Vipers goaltender Reilly Herbst closed out at 20-10-2 with a 2.91 GAA and a .901 save percentage. Keegan Karki went 3-2-0, with a 3.19 GAA and .880 save pct.

**SPECIAL TEAMS:** WEN PP - 53/257 20.6% 4th WEN PK - 39/206 81.1% 10th

> VER PP - 36/220 16.4% 13th VER PK - 32/218 85.3% 4th

SPECIAL TEAMS (head-to-head): WEN: 5/22, 22.7% 1 SHG VER: 5/21, 23.8% 1 SHG

MEDIA: Tonight's game is being aired locally on NewsRadio 560 KPQ and streamed free worldwide, and also available on a pay-per-view basis with HockeyTV.com. Pregame show airs tonight at 6:45 pm.

## **MEDIA COVERAGE**











GM 1 - VER@WEN 02/29 7:05 GM 2 - VER@WEN 03/01 7:05 \*GM 5 - VER@WEN 03/06 7:05

GM 3 - WEN @VER 03/03 7:00 \*GM 6 - WEN@VER 03/08 2:00 if necessary

GM 4 - WEN@VER 03/04 7:00

\*GM 7 - VER@WEN 03/10 7:05

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